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The present invention relates to a cooling tower support grid for supporting splash bars.

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1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A cooling tower support grid, comprising:
a lattice frame having a first series of bars which intersect a second series of bars to form a plurality of openings;
splash bar retaining clips integrally formed as part of the lattice frame extending in opposed relation into ~~each of the openings~~ two laterally adjacent openings of the lattice frame; and
each of the retaining clips having a resilient finger angled upwardly and terminating in a downwardly bent portion.
2. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 1, wherein the first series of bars are in parallel spaced relation and the second series of bars are in parallel spaced relation.
3. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 1, wherein the clips have a lower retainer.
4. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 3, wherein the lower retainer is a lip.
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7. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 1, wherein each of the clips extends from one of the first series of bars above and immediately adjacent to one of the second series of bars.
8. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 1, wherein an upper peripheral edge of the lattice frame has an integrally formed hook whereby the lattice frame is suspended.
9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A cooling tower support grid, comprising:
a lattice frame having a first series of parallel bars which intersect a second series of parallel bars to form a plurality of openings;
splash bar retaining clips integrally formed as part of the lattice frame extending in opposed relation into ~~each of the openings~~ two laterally adjacent openings of the lattice frame, each of the clips extending from one of the first series of bars above and immediately adjacent to one of the second series of bars, each of the clips having a lower retainer lip and a resilient finger which is angled upwardly and terminates in a downwardly bent portion.

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10. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 9, wherein an upper peripheral edge of the lattice frame has an integrally formed hook whereby the lattice frame is suspended.

11. (ORIGINAL) The cooling tower support grid as defined in claim 9, wherein a lower peripheral edge of the lattice frame has depending tabs with openings whereby the lattice frame is secured in position by extending fasteners through the openings.